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### **The**

## FLORIDA BUGGIST

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#### THE FLORIDA BUGGIST

At the April meeting of the Florida Entomological Society the proposal was made by Dr. Berger that the Society publish a periodical to be known as "The Florida Buggist." The publication that herewith makes its initial bow to the entomological world is the result of that suggestion.

As the official organ of the Society it will contain the proceedings of the meetings, including at least an abstract of the papers presented. It will, as far as possible, publish original contributions on entomological subjects that members of the Society may offer, and any articles dealing with Florida insects by persons not members.

It will contain brief and timely notes on insects which, for any reason, are of especial interest at the time, such as new additions to the known fauna of the State, unusual outbreaks of common or rare species, pests liable to be introduced into the State, etc. It will also contain personal notes on members of the Society.

A section which we hope to make of value to readers is that of insects which, judging from past experiences, are likely to be troublesome during the season covered by each issue, i. e., the three months following its publication. Forewarned ought to be forearmed, and we hope by this means to supply our readers with some entomological armaments. We plan ordinarily to give under each insect the plant it attacks, the nature of the injury, the date of its probable appearance, control measures and references to literature.

We plan also to include reviews and notices of books, articles, bulletins, etc.

We hope that each and every member of the Society will take a personal interest in THE BUGGIST. Send us material in the form of original articles, notes, personal items, etc., as well as subscribers. The paper is yours.

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K. E. B.

#### BRIEF AND TIMELY NOTES

On February 25 an adult specimen of the Mourning-cloak Butterfly (Vanessa antiopa, L.), was observed by Prof. J. R. Watson at Gainesville, Fla. This appears to be its farthest south record.

The Cottony Cushion Scale (Icerya purchasi, Mask.) is now known to occur as far north in Florida as Gainesville. Available information indicates that the pest came to Gainesville on contraband nursery stock from Pinellas County.

The caterpillar of the Spice-bush Swallowtail (*Papilio troilus*, L.), has twice been observed feeding on camphor at Gainesville, and one adult reared. In one instance the caterpillars were reported as abundant.

The Greenhouse Thrips (Heliothrips haemorrhodalis, Bouche) is now uncommonly severe in the State on citrus, avocado, mango and coleus.

The Citrus Spiny Whitefly (Aleurocanthus woglumi Ashby) is reported as severe in Cuba, Jamaica and New Providence.